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Environmental Cleanup Office

Mr. Tim Brincefield
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Dear Mr. Brincefield:

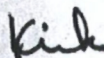
I am writing to express my apologies for being unable to attend the public meeting that focused on the Monsanto Soda Springs Superfund Site. Unfortunately, business commitments made it impossible for me to be there.

I understand that a transcript of the meeting is being made and I would like for you to provide me with a copy to review. I have also requested a copy of the video tape that was made and Monsanto has agreed to prepare that for me.

With a very busy summer schedule, I have been unable to spend as much time as I would have liked to reviewing the Proposed Cleanup Plan that you sent. I am suggesting that other community leaders and citizens have also been faced with the same problem. Because of the reported low attendance at the meeting and the significance of this issue to my community, I would formally request that a 30-day extension to the comment period be granted.

I have received comments from citizens that the cancer risk and contaminant exposures are much more significant than I had been led to believe. I am anxious to review the transcript of the meeting to understand the extent of the risk and the way that it was communicated, as that concerns me very much. I would also request copies of any correspondence that you have provided or that you intend to provide to members of the community, specifically the land owners near the Monsanto operation.

Sincerely,



Kirk L. Hansen, Mayor

cc: Mr. Wally Cory, IDEQ Boise
Mr. Mark Masarik, EPA Idaho Office
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